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ESSEX INSTITUTE, 132 Essex street. Built for a private residence in 1851, occupied by the Essex Institute in 1887. Historical relics, including portraits, mss., etc. Library, local and general. The rooms of the Essex Institute are open from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. in winter, and 9 A. M. to 5.45 P. M. in summer.

OLD FIRST MEETING HOUSE, built in 1634, now preserved by the Essex Institute in rear of Plummer Hall. Roger Williams was settled over the First Church from 1631 to 1635. The celebrated Hugh Peters and John Higginson also preached in this building. (Persons desiring to visit the building are requested to make application at the secretary's room, Essex Institute, and register their names.)

PLUMMER HALL, 134 Essex street, Library of Salem Athenæum. W. H. Prescott, the historian, was born in a house which

stood on this spot. The house was built by Nathan Read, M. C., who invented the steamboat before Fulton. The present building was erected for library purposes from funds bequeathed to Salem Athenæum by Miss Caroline Plummer.

CADET ARMORY, 136 Essex street. Formerly residence of Col. Francis Peabody. Banquet room, etc. On this spot stood the house of Governor Bradstreet.

PEABODY ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, 161 Essex street. Founded by George Peabody of London, 1867. Ethnological and natural history collections; museum of East India Marine Society. Open from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

TOWN HOUSE SQUARE. Site of building in which, on Oct. 5, 1774, assembled the First Provincial Congress, which passed a vote renouncing the authority of the British parliament. (See tablet on First Church building.)

CITY HALL, Washington street, built in 1838. Old Indian deed of Salem may be seen here, also many portraits of interest. Court House of witchcraft times was situated in the street nearly opposite. (See tablet.)

COURT HOUSES, in Federal street, where the witchcraft records are to be seen, and many portraits, including Hunt's famous portrait of Chief Justice Shaw.

NORTH BRIDGE, North street. Scene of Leslie's retreat, February 26, 1775. (See tablet.)

ROGER WILLIAMS HOUSE, corner of Essex and North streets—the latter was originally called in deeds "Mr. Williams' lane." This house was built before 1634, and was occupied by Judge Corwin at the time of Salem witchcraft. Sometimes called "Old Witch House."

SHATTUCK HOUSE, 315 Essex street, home of Shattuck, the dyer, time of witchcraft delusion. Built before 1660.

SALEM PUBLIC LIBRARY, corner of Essex and Monroe streets. Formerly the mansion of John Bertram. Free to all from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M.

GALLOWS HILL, rear of Boston street. The scene of nineteen witchcraft executions in 1692.

PICKERING HOUSE, Broad street, built 1651. Birthplace of Col. Timothy Pickering, distinguished in Revolutionary days.

BROAD STREET CEMETERY, next oldest to Charter street burial ground. Col. Pickering, Dr. Holyoke and other distinguished people buried here.

OLD CUSTOM HOUSE BUILDING, 4 Central street, now occupied by A. N. Webb & Co., printers and stationers. Over the doorway may be seen the large wooden eagle that decorated the same entrance when the building was used as a custom house in 1805, before Hawthorne's time.

DR. GRIMSHAWE HOUSE, where Hawthorne's wife lived before marriage. This house is described in Hawthorne's story of "Dr. Grimshawe's Secret." Adjoining Charter street burial ground.

CHARTER STREET BURIAL GROUND, the earliest burial place in Salem. Gov. Simon Bradstreet was buried here in 1697, and here lie buried the Brownes, Lyndes, Hathornes, Turners, Parkmans, Higginsons, and other leading families in Salem, of an early period.

HAWTHORNE'S BIRTHPLACE, 27 Union street. He was born here July 4, 1804.

CUSTOM HOUSE, Derby street, erected 1818, where Hawthorne began his "Scarlet Letter." The desk upon which he wrote is in the Essex Institute.

OLD LADIES' HOME, 114 Derby street. House built by B. W. Crowninshield, and President Madison entertained here in 1817. Occupied later by Gen. James Miller ("I'll try, sir,") the hero of Lundy's Lane.

OLD MEN'S HOME, 70 Derby street, founded by Capt. John Bertram.

TURNER HOUSE, 54 Turner street, built about 1670 and a favorite haunt of Hawthorne. This is called "The House of Seven Gables."

WASHINGTON SQUARE (Salem Common), showing style of houses built early in this century. In this vicinity (Winter street) lived Justice Story, and in this house, still standing, the eminent poet and sculptor, W. W. Story, was born.

BIRTHPLACE OF NATHANIEL BOWDITCH, rear of 14 Brown street.

SITE OF WITCHCRAFT JAIL, 4 Federal street.

SEVERAL ANCIENT HOUSES. •

DERBY-WARD HOUSE, foot of Herbert street.

OLD WARD HOUSE, 38 St. Peter street, showing projecting second story.

NARBONNE HOUSE, 71 Essex street, built about 1680, showing lean-to roof.

OLD BAKERY, 23 Washington street, built about 1680, showing projecting second story.

RICHARD DERBY SEN., HOUSE, third below the Custom House on Derby street. Built about 1745; one of the earliest brick houses in Salem.

PEIRCE HOUSE, 80 Federal street, designed by Mackintire. Fine specimen of colonial architecture.

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